IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Ito, et al.

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For:

Waveguide and Microwave Ion Source Equipped With

the Wavequide

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Examiner: Rakesh K. Dhingra

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION DATED JUNE 12, 2006

In response to the Office Communication dated June 12, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 12, 2006, please enter this corrected response to Preliminary Amendment mailed June 2, 2006 and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/APPM/007765.Y1/KMT, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the corrected listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.